

High p_T physics from the AGS to the ISR to RHIC.

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Hard scattering in p-p collisions was discovered at the CERN ISR in 1972, by the method of leading particles, which proved that the partons of Deeply Inelastic Scattering strongly interacted with each other. Further ISR measurements utilizing inclusive single or pairs of hadrons established that high p_T particles are produced from states with two roughly back-to-back jets which are the result of scattering of constituents of the nucleons as described by Quantum Chromodynamics, which was developed over the course of these measurements. These techniques, which have been the principal method to study hard-scattering and jet phenomena in Au+Au collisions at RHIC, will be reviewed. In addition to the inclusive single-particle and two-particle techniques, other ISR discoveries and techniques used at RHIC include: direct photon production, direct e^\pm to measure charm and x_T scaling. Additionally, J/Ψ and Drell-Yan production, which were actually discovered at the BNL/AGS will be discussed as well as the first measurement of DIS in nuclei, also an AGS experiment.